

STRATTON STRAWLESS PARISH
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
12 JULY 2021, BOROUGHS HALL

Present:

Cllr A Johns (Chairman)
Cllr C Chamberlin
Cllr G Chamberlin
Cllr W Farrow
Cllr T Dann
Cllr D Johns
V Powell (Clerk)

In attendance:

County Cllr D Roper
District Cllr J Neesam

Parishioners: 6

040 (001) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr M Howard

041 (002) NEW CLERK

The Chairman welcomed the new clerk Kate Leggett. Kate would be officially starting on 5th July.

042 (003) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None received.

043 (004) MINUTES

Following an omission of Cllr T Dann being present at the meeting, the minutes were amended. The minutes were agreed.

044 (005) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA

None received.

045 (006) DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

District Cllr J Neesam noted that issues with planning had been wide spread across the district, with 200 cases currently awaiting decisions.

046 (007) COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

It was hoped that the damaged area of road at the junction of Parish Road/Hainford Road would be completed by the end of the summer. The gully along Shorthorn Road was due to be cleared to help alleviate the flooding issues. New line work would be undertaken at the junction of Cromer Road and Shorthorn Road. The recent Norfolk County Council meeting had been canceled due to a venue double booking. County Cllr D Roper would be submitting a freedom of information request to the Police requesting accident data for the roads in the parish. It was AGREED that the Clerk would write to NCC Highways regarding the possibility of chicane along the Shorthorn Road to reduce speeding.

047 (008) POLICE REPORT

There had been 3 violent offenses close to Eastons Coaches for the period of May.

048 (009) CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported that the Highway Rangers would be visiting the parish. It was noted that there was a pothole near the bus stop on the A140 in the direction towards Aylsham. It was noted that the Parish Partnership Scheme would be repeated for the 2022/23 financial year. The Town and Parish Forum would be held on 20th July at 10:00am via zoom. The Clerk had circulated details prior to the meeting if Councillors had wished to attend. The Clerk had received an update from BDC regarding the planning services provided by BDC and SNDC. A number of officers would be leaving on 30th July. The new central area team leader would be Claire Curtis, replacing Matthew Rooke.

049 (010) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Woodlands Farm B&B were looking to diversify and add five small camping pods to their land. The pods would not be visible from the road. Previous applications by the owners had been reused by

highways due to access issues. The owners had spoken to BDC Economic Development officer who had suggested that they spoke to the Parish Council. The resident was advised to approach BDC planning department for further guidance on submitting an application. The Council would look to support an application.

A member of the public wished to comment on the application for tree felling along the Shortthorn Road. It was believed that the hedgerow had been in existence for almost 100 years not the 30 years stated in the application. The removal of the hedgerow would have an impact on the area, and species numbers.

050 (011) TREE FELLING

After discussions it was agreed to object to the application for tree felling. The Clerk would write to BDC with the council's objections. It was noted that the Parish Council had previously been approached to join the Tree Warden Network. It was AGREED that the Clerk would inquire about becoming a member.

051 (012) OUTSTANDING ISSUES

i) The Clerk had received notification that a decision had been made on the Induct planning application. Approval had been given for temporary use for a period of six months from the date of decision. It was noted that there had been further activity on the site.

ii) The Chairman had spoken with BDC regarding the fly tipping at Woodland View. An officer would be visiting the site although a date had not been given.

052 (013) SAM2 RESULTS

The Clerk presented the SAM2 findings in the absence of Cllr M Howard. The fastest speed was 80mph, with an average speed of 45.7mph.

053 (014) PLANNING

- i) 2021/1052 - Erection of 2 new industrial/warehousing units, Woodlands Farm Industrial Estate, Shortthorn Road – SUPPORT
- ii) 2021/1059 – Application for felling license for the removal of trees, Shortthorn Road – OBJECT
- iii) 2019/0448 – Temporary use of land as construction/plant training facility, Mansom Plantation, Shortthorn Road – The Clerk was awaiting the decision notice from BDC.

It was noted that an area of land had been cleared at Pinewood Farm, it was AGREED that the Clerk would make inquiries with BDC.

054 (015) FINANCE

- i) The Clerk noted that the gentleman that currently cleaned the bus shelters did not fall under the Council's insurance. It was AGREED that a risk assessment would be undertaken to establish the best option to ensure contractors were safe.

- ii) The following accounts were presented for payment and were approved.

The Clerks standing order was paid on 5th July 2021

Clerks Expenses	£9.00
Soanes Signs	£1,044.00
Mr F Hambling	£40.00
Mr M Howard (SAM2 Laptop)	£249.99

The balance carried forward is £8,761.90

055 (016) ITEMS FOR AGENDA OF NEXT MEETING

Litter picking.

056 (017) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 12th September 2021 at 7:30pm

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The meeting finished at 8:30pm